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From: Richardson, Scott
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Subject: Excelsior Gunnison Copper Project

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Hi Nancy,

I received the phone message you left yesterday regarding the above-referenced project. I appreciate the follow-up. After some digging, I found the information on the project and the request for consultation that had been forwarded from our Phoenix office. We have not yet initiated work on your request due to being short-staffed and the need to address other priority workload issues. We apologize for any delay in moving your project forward.

I have placed the project on our priority work list and anticipate that work will begin on this request within the next week. I anticipate either completing the request or contacting you for any additional information we would need to complete the consultation within the next 10 days. If we require additional information, I anticipate the completion of the consultation would be extended by another week. Therefore, I anticipate having a completed consultation to you by mid-June at the longest and by early June if we have all the information we need to proceed.

Thank you for your patience and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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